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# Ministry of Construction and Public Works Office of Public Procurement

## Meetings August 8th, 12th, and 13th

### **OWORLD Bank/Institutional Development Fund Grant**

#### .0Contract Status

The following contracts have now been signed by the Ministry:

- International Law Institute Review of the Public Procurement Law and Design and Development of a Training Program
- International Trade Center Preparation of Standard Bidding Documents for Goods, Public Works, and Services
- UFOS Commerce a.s. Local consultants to assist international firms

#### .1Payments

All initial payments to the consulting firms have been paid or are in the process of being paid. Mr. Law received Withdrawal Application Forms to be submitted to the World Bank for processing. These cover the initial payments due to the International Law Institute.

#### .2International Trade Center

The first submittal has been received from the International Trade Center (ITC). This includes the proposed outlines of the following documents:

- Standard Bidding Documents
  - Procurement of Machinery and Plant
  - ➢ Procurement of Simple Goods
  - Procurement of Public Works (complex construction works)
  - Procurement of Public Works (smaller contracts)
  - Procurement of Service Contracts (complex)
  - Procurement of Service Contracts (simple)
  - General Technical Specifications for Housing Contracts
- Procedural Guidelines and Instructions
  - > Outline of Content of Procedural Guidelines and Instruction Manual

A copy of the complete submittal is attached at Annex 1.

Mr. Law prepared a set of review comments and delivered them to Mr. Bakay at the Office of Public Procurement. A copy is attached at Annex 2.

The final review comments from the Office of Public Procurement will be sent to the ITC by the end of August. This should coincide with the next scheduled payment to the ITC being processed and deposited in the ITC account.

The next submittal from the ITC (draft standard documents and procedural guidelines) is due to be completed by the middle of October 1996.

#### .3The International Law Institute

- The first meeting with the Office of Public Procurement is now scheduled for the week commencing 23 September 1996. Mr. Simeon Sahadachny will meet with the Office of Public Procurement to discuss the current Public Procurement Law and proposed revisions to it. Mr. Law will be present at that meeting.
- It is anticipated that the training program activity will be able to commence only sometime after the draft procurement documents are available.

#### 1CEFTA Conference

At this time, the final details of the conference are not available. However, the conference is currently scheduled for the end of October.

# Appendices